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North Star Foundation Celebrity Challenge Announces Golf Clinic with Doug Johnson and Pete Oakley

The North Star Foundation Celebrity Challenge has announced that it will include a golf clinic for all participants at its April 23 golf tournament at Rock Barn Golf & Spa, featuring Doug Johnson and Pete Oakley. Johnson and Oakley will demonstrate good technique and give tips to registered participants prior to the tournament.

Both Johnson and Oakley are veterans of the Senior PGA. A native of Wisconsin, Johnson has experienced success both in the U.S. Champions Tour as well as the European's Senior's Tour, earning the nickname "Mr. Monday." Oakley is best known for winning the 2004 Senior British Open.

The tournament will be 4-person Captain's Choice and teams will have a celebrity or professional as an additional player. The tournament will utilize both the Robert Trent Jones, Jr. and Tom Jackson courses. Golf will be preceded by lunch, a silent auction, a putting contest, and the golf clinic. One participant will earn the opportunity to attempt a hole in one, with a million dollar reward. The tournament will conclude with an awards reception.

The North Star Charitable Foundation has been created by North Star Financial Group, of Hickory. It was created to build charitable capital to serve the people of the Unifour region. Its first recipient will be the Children's Advocacy Center (CAC). The CAC is located in Conover, North Carolina. The CAC is THE face of child advocacy in Catawba County assuring a comprehensive, culturally

competent, multidisciplinary team response to child victims of alleged sexual and severe physical abuse.

The purpose of the North Star Foundation Celebrity Challenge is to raise money not only for the current year operating needs for the CAC, but to fund the Foundation with a corpus that would grow and produce earnings that could also be used for future CAC needs as well.

For more information regarding the North Star Foundation Celebrity Challenge please contact Pam Stanley at (828) 323-8777 or Darrell Johnson (828-304-5109).

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